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BOX NEW PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attorney Docket No.: SONY-15700

NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor: Richard A. Bardini et al.

Title: AN APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF INVALIDATING OR DELETING DIGITAL CONTENT AFTER IT EXPIRES BY COMPARING THE EMBEDDED TIME WITH A GLOBAL TIME

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10

I hereby certify that this New Application and the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date, August 1, 2001, in an envelope bearing "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" Mailing Label Number EL703160323US addressed to: PATENT APPLICATION, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Signature

Enclosed are:

The papers required for filing date under CFR § 1.53(b):

- 21 Pages of Specification (including claims); 6 Sheet(s) of Drawings.
  - X Formal
  - Informal
- X Declaration (Combined with Power of Attorney)
- X Power of Attorney (Combined with Declaration)
- X Assignment of the Invention to Sony Corporation and Sony Electronics, Inc. (including Form PTO-1595).

Fee Calculation

- Amendment changing number of claims or deleting multiple dependencies is enclosed.

CLAIMS AS FILED

	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
				\$710.00
Total Claims	64 - 20 =	44	\$18.00	792.00
Independent Claims	7 - 3 =	4	\$80.00	320.00
Multiple Dependent claim(s), if any			\$270.00	
Filing Fee Calculation				1,822.00

6. Other Fees
- X Assignment Recordation Fee 40 00
  - Other 0.00

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED 1,862.00

7. Payment of Fees
- X Check in the amount of \$1,862.00 (\$1,822.00 filing fee plus \$40.00 assignment recordation fee) enclosed.

8. X Authorization to Charge Additional Fees
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 CFR § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Account No. 08-1275. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

9. - Information Disclosure Statement

10. X Return Receipt Postcard

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